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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Dirk WERNICKE et al. Conf.: 5925  
Appl. No.: 09/979,507 Group: 1651  
Filed: May 6, 2002 Examiner: GUO  
For: USE OF COLLAGENASE 3 FOR DETECTING  
DESTRUCTIVE DISEASES OF THE JOINTS,  
ESPECIALLY FOR PROGNOSING THE  
PROGRESSION OF THE DISEASE AND THE  
GENETIC PREDISPOSITION FOR RHEUMATOID  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.  
☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.  
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- ☒ Petition for one (1) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$55.00 for the extension of time.
- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of \$55.00 is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

April 30, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 31, 2002, the period for response having been extended one month to expire on April 30, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the title on page 1 with the following:

TITLE: USE OF COLLAGENASE 3 FOR DETECTING DESTRUCTIVE  
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